

**Remarks**

Claims 1-21 and 24 are pending.

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended by the Examiner during the recent telephone interview held during the week of March 29, 2004. During the interview, the Examiner agreed that the claims would be allowable upon deletion of the "may occur..." language, which has now been done.

Accordingly, Applicant now requests an allowance of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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